

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Mr. Speaker and members, I feel compelled to rise not only because I believe deeply in the activities that this resolution endorses, but as a representative who comes from one of the major wheat producing parts of this state and was, in fact, invited to come down to the Lyman elevator the morning that some of these activities were exhibited. I simply want to add my support and commendation to the Wheat Board for this kind of activity and echo my support for the comments made previously here by my colleagues. I think this is the future in agricultural marketing and keeping us competitive in a global market which is extremely important not only to northwest Nebraska, but to the entire state. So just let me add my congratulations to the Nebraska Wheat Board for their part in all of this. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The gentleman from the 48th District, Senator WeiHING.

SENATOR WEIHING: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I was present when this was being loaded and prepared to be sent and I was very delighted to see that we were sending our quality wheat. We had been growing quality wheat for many, many, many years here in Nebraska and it has hurt me deeply to learn and to be present in those foreign areas to see our grain come diluted with foreign substance which did not have that foreign substance when it came from the grain field, where it had excellent quality and quality is the name of the game within the world now. We had to learn within the U.S. that quality had to be maintained in our industrial area. Quality must be maintained with the product that we ship across, and once we reestablish that, we will certainly have a greater demand for the product that is grown here and is produced here and the respect of our growers will be great throughout the world. The Wheat Board is to be commended with this project and I'm certainly glad to see the resolution.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any other discussion? For purposes of closing, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. Speaker and members, I want to thank those western Nebraska senators in particular who supported this resolution. They recognize more eminently than most of us the relationship between quality price and the economy of the State of Nebraska. Appreciate Senator Coordsen's remarks. He has served as Chairman of the Sorghum Board for a number of years